

Quick Points



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High-Technology Diagnostic Imaging program update

As communicated previously in Provider Bulletin P15-11, entitled “High-Technology Diagnostic Imaging (HTDI) program” effective November 1, 2011, ordering providers are required to use a decision support system as part of their process for ordering elective, outpatient HTDI procedures.

Through a collaborative with the Institute of Clinical Systems Improvement (ICSI) and several other large payer organizations, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) have contracted with Nuance for use of RadPort, a decision support software tool.

Nuance is currently experiencing a high volume of providers wishing to implement RadPort in either the EMR integrated or web-based versions. In order to allow time for implementation activities, Blue Cross will extend this deadline for providers who are already working with or have contacted Nuance to implement RadPort.

Physicians and clinic groups who currently use an alternative decision support program for HTDI may continue to do so until further notice.

All providers must continue to follow Medical and Behavioral Health Policies for selected HTDI procedures both before and after November 1, 2011.

Additional information

For specific questions about Nuance’s RadPort software, or to schedule training and implementation of the tool, contact ICSI at **(952) 814-7067** or htdi@icsi.org.